

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) An image conversion system comprising:

a digital image generation means which reads out an image on photographic film and generates a digital image signal representing the image;

a format conversion means which converts ~~the~~ a recording format of the digital image signal into ~~EXIF~~ a predetermined format for recording a digital image signal on a recording medium which can be loaded in a digital camera format separate from the digital image generation means; and

an image signal recording means which records the digital image signal in ~~EXIF~~ the predetermined -format on a recording medium which can be loaded in a digital camera.

2.-4. (Cancelled)

5. (Currently Amended) An image conversion system, comprising:

a digital image generator reading out an image on photographic film and generating a digital image signal representing the image;

a format converter converting ~~the~~ a recording format of the digital image signal into ~~EXIF~~ format ~~a predetermined format for recording a digital image signal on a recording medium which can be loaded in a digital camera~~ separate from the digital image generator; and

an image signal recorder recording the digital image signal in ~~EXIF~~ the predetermined format on a recording medium to be loaded in a digital camera.

6.-8. (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) An image conversion method, comprising:

reading out an image on photographic film and generating a digital image signal representing the image;

converting ~~the~~ a recording format of the digital image signal into ~~EXIF~~ a predetermined format for recording a digital image signal on a recording medium which can be loaded in a digital camera format which is separate from a source from which the image on photographic film was read out of; and

recording the digital image signal in ~~EXIF~~ the predetermined format on a recording medium to be loaded in a digital camera.

10.-13.(Cancelled)

14. (Previously Presented) The image conversion system of claim 1, further including recording medium selecting means selecting a desired recording medium from a plurality of types of recording mediums which can be loaded into a digital camera.

15. (Previously Presented) The image conversion system of claim 1, wherein services provided exclusively for the digital camera are available.

16. (Previously Presented) The image conversion system of claim 5, wherein services provided exclusively for the digital camera are available.

17. (Previously Presented) The image conversion system of claim 9, wherein services provided exclusively for the digital camera are available.

18. (New) An image conversion apparatus comprising:

- a film scanner which reads out an image on photographic film and generates a digital image signal representing the image;
- a color transformation means for transforming the digital image signal into a color space of an image taking system of a digital camera;
- a format conversion means which converts the format of the digital image signal in the color space into a predetermined format used in a digital camera; and
- an image signal recording means which records the digital image signal in the predetermined format on a recording medium which can be laded in a digital camera.

19. (New) The image conversion apparatus of claim 18, further including format selecting means selecting a desired format from a plurality of types of formats used for digital cameras.

20. (New) An image conversion method, comprising the steps of:

reading out an image on photographic film by a film scanner and generating a digital image signal representing the image;

transforming the digital image signal into a color space of an image taking system of a digital camera;

converting the format of the digital image signal in the color space into a predetermined format used in a digital camera; and

recording the digital image signal in the predetermined format on a recording medium which can be loaded in a digital camera.

21. (New) The image conversion method of claim 20, further comprising a step of:

selecting a desired format from a plurality of types of formats used for digital cameras.